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**INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT**

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Sir:

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.56, and §§1.97 and 1.98 as amended, Applicant cites and provides copies of the following art references:

1. U.S. Patent No. 6,104,696 to Kadambi *et al.*, entitled *METHOD FOR SENDING PACKETS BETWEEN TRUNK PORT OF NETWORK SWITCHES*, issued on August 15, 2000;
2. U.S. Patent No. 5,915,097 to Chao, entitled *METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR DATA STORAGE AND SEARCH IN AN ADDRESS TABLE OF AN ETHERNET SWITCH*, issued on June 22, 1999;

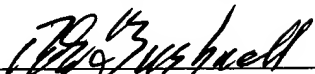
3. U.S. Patent No. 5,343,471 to Cassagnol, entitled *ADDRESS FILTER FOR A TRANSPARENT BRIDGE INTERCONNECTING LOCAL AREA NETWORKS*, issued on August 30, 1994;
4. U.S. Patent No. 5,790,549 to Dobbins *et al.*, entitled *METHOD OF TRANSMITTING DATA PACKETS IN A PACKET SWITCHED COMMUNICATIONS NETWORK*, issued on August 4, 1998;
5. U.S. Patent No. 5,784,373 to Satake *et al.*, entitled *SWITCHING DEVICE FOR LAN*, issued on July 21, 1998; and
6. U.S. Patent No. 5,978,951 to Lawler *et al.*, entitled *HIGH SPEED CACHE MANAGEMENT UNIT FOR USE IN A BRIDGE/ROUTER*, issued on November 2, 1999.

The citation of the foregoing references is not intended to constitute an assertion that other or more relevant art does not exist. Accordingly, the Examiner is requested to make a wide-ranging and thorough search of the relative arts.

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No fee is incurred by this Statement.

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